

REMARKS

The status of all claims remains unchanged.

Applicants have hereby amended the specification to contain the statement regarding federally sponsored research.

The current status of the claims is:

Claims 1, 4, 10, 12, 14, and 18-20 are pending in the application.

Claims 15-17 were canceled by previous amendment. Claims 2-3, 5-9, 11, 13, and 21 are canceled by this amendment.

Claims 12, 14, and 19 remain in their original form.

Claims 1, 4, 10, and 18 currently amended.

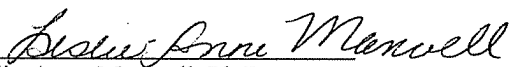
Claim 20 was previously presented.

Consideration and allowance of these claims are respectfully requested. The foregoing is believed to be fully responsive to the action.

If there are any charges with respect to this amendment, or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 06-1130 maintained by applicant's attorneys.

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